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# Ill. Noble Arthur A. Sondheim Elected Potentate of Aleppo Temple for 1945

# 3000 Nobles Attend Annual Meeting, Election Of Officers, Initiation and Vaudeville Show

OVER three thousand Nobles of Aleppo Temple gathered in Grand Hall, Mechanics Building on Friday evening, January 26, 1945, to attend the Annual Meeting, election and installation of officers for the coming year.

Illustrious Noble Arthur A. Sondheim, who served as Chief Rabban during 1944, was elevated to the office of Potentate by a unanimous vote of the Nobles present. The newly elected Potentate was nominated by Past Potentate Frank A. North who, in a few well chosen words, presented Noble Sondheim as a Past Master of his Blue Lodge and a Past District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District as well as one of the high officers in the Scottish Rite Bodies of Boston.

In accepting the election to the office of Potentate of Shrinedom's fourth largest Temple, Noble Sondheim assured the members of Aleppo that he truly appreciated the tremendous responsibility as well as the numerous duties pertaining to this exalted position and that he would foster the good fellowship existing in Aleppo Temple. He said he deeply appreciated the great honor the Nobles had bestowed upon him and promised to endeavor to carry out the traditions of Aleppo Temple and give the Nobility the best administration in his power.

The election of the other Divan Officers resulted in the unanimous election of the following officers for the coming year, all of whom accepted their respective promotion in line and pledged their full support and cooperation to Potentate Sondheim: Chief Rabban, Lionel G. H. Palmer

Assistant Rabban, Justin A. Duncan High Priest and Prophet, Wallace D. Riddell

Oriental Guide, Frank B. Ells
Treasurer, Frank W. Morrill
Recorder, Harvey B. Leggee
Trustee of the Permanent Fund for three
years, T. Frederick Brunton

Potentate Sondheim was installed in office by Past Potentate Harry G. Pollard.

The Divan Officers were installed in their respective office by Past Potentate Willard P. Lombard.



Illustrious Potentate ARTHUR A. SONDHEIM

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, Noble Samuel H. Wragg, invested Potentate Sondheim with a Potentate's fez, emblematic of his office. The newly elected Potentate told the Nobility that he was very proud to be the first Potentate of Aleppo Temple who had ever been crowned in office by the Presiding Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts. He said that he was deeply grateful to the Grand Master for his graciousness in conferring this great honor on him.

Aleppo Temple was highly honored at this Annual Meeting in having many distinguished Masons and Nobles in attendance accompanying Grand Master Wragg, including Most Worshipful Melvin M. Johnson, Past Grand Master and Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, Northern Jurisdiction of the U. S. A.; G. Lester Marston, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; William S. Cooper, Grand Warder of the Grand Commandery; Stanley W. Wilson, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts; Claude L. Allen, Past Grand Master and Past Potentate Harry G. Pollard, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States.

At the afternoon business meeting held in Paul Revere Hall, printed copies of the 1944 annual reports of the Recorder, Treasurer and Trustees of the Permanent Fund and Auditing Committee were distributed and, upon motion, were unanimously adopted.

These printed reports showed some unusual activity in the business of the Temple for 1944 including a total of 1,212 candidates initiated during the year which was the largest number for the past 23 years. The membership report showed a net gain for 1944 of 982, being the largest net gain since 1921.

The report of the Trustees of the Permanent Fund showed a balance of over \$600,000.00, 50% of which has been invested in United States Bonds.

Following the business of the afternoon meeting the Ritualistic Degree Team, under the direction of Noble Gerald F. Zedren, initiated the candidates elected in the first and third sections of the Shrine ritual.

At the close of the evening election and business meeting the Degree Staff, under the leadership of Director Frank W. Watson, took over the business of entertaining the Nobles present by initiating the candidates in the second section floor work. This work was very enthusiastically received and took place on a large stage erected in the center of the floor of Grand Hall.

A one-hour vaudeville show, under the direction of Noble Charles Pike, concluded the festivities of the day, which seemed to leave the Nobility with nothing but great praise for the Officers and workers who had staged this Annual Meeting and Ceremonial.

# ALEPPO'S NEW POTENTATE HAD LONG AND SUCCESSFUL MASONIC CAREER

OUR newly elected Potentate, Illustrious Noble Arthur A. Sondheim, who was elected to guide the destinies of Shrinedom's fourth largest Temple on January 26, 1945, was born in Roxbury, Massachusetts, March 13, 1879 and moved to Brookline in 1909, where he has been a resident for the past 36 years.

Illustrious Noble Sondheim attended the Boston public schools and received his L.L.B. Degree from Northeastern University in 1904. He was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in February of the same year.

Our new Potentate has a most enviable Masonic record having held many high offices in Masonry in which he has given valuable and estimable service to the fraternity.

He was raised in Eliot Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Jamaica Plain in May, 1908, and is a life member and Trustee of the Life Membership and Permanent Funds of his mother Lodge.

He is a Charter and an Honorary Member of Shawmut Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Boston and served as Worshipful Master of this Lodge in 1913, 14 and 15. He is also a Charter Member of Loyalty Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Jamaica Plain.

Noble Sondheim served as Junior Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in 1916 and was District Deputy Grand Master of Boston First Masonic District in 1934, 35 and 36.

Our New Potentate was highly honored when he was one of a committee of three Massachusetts Masons, appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Melvin M. Johnson in 1916, to organize the Masonic Employment Bureau which is now known as the Masonic Service Department conducted under the supervision of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. In addition to its many activities, this department now conducts a bureau which keeps in constant contact with all Masons and their sons and daughters in the Service, rendering assistance and aid in all parts of the world. This department, which is under the direct supervision of Noble Philip C. McMurdie, has handled over 21,000 cases with service men alone. The gigantic volume of work handled, entails the combined services of seven district managers and sixty representatives throughout Massachusetts.

Potentate Sondheim has again been honored by the present Most Worshipful Grand Master, Samuel H. Wragg, in being appointed one of the newly formed Progress and Advisory Committee of the Grand Lodge for the purpose of carrying out the extensive work of the Masonic Military Service Activities.

Illustrious Noble Sondheim served for ten years as a member and the secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Trials of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. He is a member of the First Worshipful Master's Association of Massachusetts and is an associate member of the Board of Masonic Relief from Shawmut Lodge. He is a representative of the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico, near the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

He is a member of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, and is the present Junior Warden of Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem. He is also a member of Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, a District Representative of Massachusetts Consistory, Scottish Rite Bodies. Illustrious Potentate Sondheim is a member of St. Pauls Royal Arch Chapter and Boston Council of Royal and Select Masters.

The newly elected Potentate is a widower, Mrs. Sondheim having passed away in October, 1918. His oldest son, Arthur A. Sondheim, Jr., was graduated from Brown University. During the four years he attended this University he was the pitcher on the Varsity Baseball Team. He is also a graduate of Boston University Law School and is associated with his father in the practice of law.

Another son, Norman J. Sondheim, is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School. He is also a member of the Massachusetts Bar and at the present time is in the Engineer Corps Department of the Military Service stationed at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He expects shortly to be sent overseas.

A third son, Earle F. Sondheim, passed away at the age of 18 years in 1935.

### GOVERNOR TOBIN SHRINE LUNCHEON SPEAKER

OUR new Governor, Hon. Maurice J. Tobin, has accepted the invitation of Aleppo Temple to be honored guest at the next Shrine Luncheon, to be held in the Imperial Ballroom of the Statler, Tuesday, February 27, 1945.

Although he has just recently taken office and assumed the great task of operating the business of our Commonwealth, His Excellency is taking time out from his busy office on Beacon Hill to address the Shriners on post-war problems of state.

Governor Tobin, who won the admiration of the people of Massachusetts through his exceptional ability and outstanding leadership while serving as Boston's first two-term Mayor, is destined to be one of the Commonwealth's most popular and distinguished Chief Executives.

As a war-time Governor, facing the many new problems bound to arise in our post-war period ahead, the state's young Governor has the ability to put Massachusetts at the top of the list of progressive states.

Governor Tobin has made many friends in Aleppo Temple, having addressed our members at previous Shrine luncheons while Mayor of Boston as well as officially opening the annual Shrine Circus in Boston Garden each year since its inception.

Come and hear the Governor's message to the members of Aleppo at the next Shrine luncheon at the Statler Hotel, Tuesday, February 27, 1945.

# WHO WANTS NO. 1,000 SHRINE HOSPITAL CERTIFICATE?

THE number of sales of \$60.00 memberships in the Permanent Fund of the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children is nearing 1,000, with less than 25 to go.

Our goal was set for 1,000 memberships in 1944 and although we barely missed the mark, we are proud to say that the number of Aleppo memberships in the fund was tripled in the past year, with nearly 700 memberships being purchased. This compares with 319 memberships as of January 1, 1944, which was the total number purchased in the previous 10 years.

The coveted 1,000th certificate is soon to be issued. This number, on the "Ladder of Babies' Smiles," will be issued within the next two weeks. If you contemplate buying a membership why not send your check for \$60.00 to the Recorder at once. You may get the 1,000th membership. If you have already purchased a membership why not purchase another either in your own name or in the name of a friend or relative. Many memberships have also been purchased in memory of a departed relative or friend.

These certificates will be numbered in the order of their receipt.

Who will be No. 1,000? Will it be you, Noble?

Send in your check now and look for the answer in the March issue of the Aleppo Monthly News.

# THE response to a request in the January issue of the News asking for playing cards for our wounded service men has been overwhelming. The committee wished to receive 1 000

OUR APPEAL FOR PLAYING CARDS

FOR BOYS IN HOSPITALS

BROUGHT A NOBLE RESPONSE

The committee wished to receive 1,000 decks of cards from our members and friends for this purpose. However, due to the generosity of the Nobility and their families, over 3,000 single decks have been received up to the time of going to press and we are glad to say the cards are still coming in

Noble Paul Amundson, of the Boston Chapter of the American Red Cross, has agreed to see that these cards are properly distributed to our wounded boys entirely free of charge.

The response to this appeal has been very gratifying to the Officers of Aleppo Temple and, needless to say, many happy hours will be spent by our service men recuperating in hospitals, through the cooperation of the donors.

There were many interesting angles connected with this drive for cards which seemed to not only reach into the homes of members and friends but also created enthusiasm in business offices and stores.

Noble Edward W. Hunter, an officer of the State Street Trust Company, instituted his own drive for cards among his associates with the result that nearly 300 packs were added to our collection.

Another large donation was received through the efforts of Noble Robie E. Kempton, a Tremont Street attorney, who spent many hours visiting every office in his building as well as several stores in the neighborhood. As a result, Noble Kempton brought with him to the Annual Meeting, on January 26th, 209 packs and promised to increase this number before he is through.

Cards were received from as far away as St. Petersburg, Florida, where Noble Herbert A. Stockbridge is spending the winter and who, upon reading the appeal, immediately forwarded his donation. The members of the 3–5–7 Club of Department 38 at Fore River, through the assistance of Noble A. M. Carnathan, sent in a large collection of cards together with six cribbage boards which the boys in that department had made.

Donations were also received from Waltham Commandery, Knights Templar No. 52 and Mrs. J. K. Tufts of Westboro and her Ladies' Club donated 35 decks.

Noble Doctor Grant of Gardner wanted to make sure the boys had good cards to play with as he sent in four dozen new decks. Noble Harry McCarthy forwarded his donation of cards by parcel post from Kewanee, Illinois, and Noble J. R. Cannon sent a package of several packs from his home in Dunmore, Penna. Noble H. R. Sylvester sent along some of the well known paste boards from Coral Gables, Florida and Noble J. Norman Anderson of Lawrence helped the cause by sending three dozen new decks.

Many other donations too numerous to mention here were received at Shrine Headquarters and the Shriners have once again gone over the top, which always occurs when an appeal is made to them.



THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF MASONS IN MASSA-CHUSETTS Noble Samuel H. Wragg, honored Aleppo Temple by a visitation at the Annual Meeting and election, Friday, January 26th.

The Grand Master is shown above with officers of the Temple. Left to right, Treasurer Frank W. Morrill, Recorder Harvey B. Leggee, the Grand Master, Potentate Arthur A. Sondheim, Past Potentate Willard P. Lombard and Chief Rabban Lionel G. H. Palmer.

### ALEPPO NEWS 10 YEARS OLD

THE publication of the February, 1945, issue of the Aleppo Monthly News brings to mind the fact that this publication has just completed it's tenth year. People have birthdays and add another year to their advancing age. Some like to hide this fact that they are growing older in years but the Aleppo Monthly News is very proud this magazine has been published for 120 consecutive months with only one interruption.

Although the shortage of paper has caused a reduction in the size and weight of our magazine we are happy to have been able to bring to the Nobility of Aleppo Temple a monthly resume of much of the Shrine news and Temple functions, thereby keeping them in continuous contact with their organization.

A great many reams of paper containing copy for this publication has passed over the desk of the editor in these ten years. Occasionally an error would creep in, which is bound to happen in any publication, but this is perhaps conclusive evidence that we are only human and we sincerely hope that they have been overshadowed by the many helpful and interesting articles published for the entertainment of the members of Aleppo and their families.

As we start our eleventh year of publication we ask for the continued cooperation of all members and friends to the end that the Aleppo Monthly News may continue to be of interest to its readers.

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# NAVAL COMMANDER DIES FROM INJURIES RECEIVED ON DUTY

LT. COMDR. CECIL J. PEASE, a member of Aleppo Temple, passed away Saturday, January 20, 1945, in Jacksonville, Florida, following injuries received in the line of duty.

Commander Pease, who served four years in the Navy following the last war and several years in the Merchant Marines, had just returned from England and France where he had seen service since a week before D-Day. He was graduated from Wilton Academy and Lowell Textile School and had been on active duty for the past two years following his officer's training at Fort Trumbull, New London, Connecticut, where he was graduated with the rank of Lieutenant.

Noble Pease was a member of St. John's Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Boston Council, St. Andrews Chapter, Boston Commandery, the Scottish Rite Bodies and Massachusetts Consistory, all of Boston. He was also a member of the Square Club of London, England.

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COMING EVENTS IN ALEPPO TEMPLE

Friday, March 30 — Spring Ceremonial. Mechanics Building, Boston.

Tuesday, April 24 — Shrine Luncheon. Copley Plaza Hotel, Crystal Ballroom at 12:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 26 — Shrine Charity Bridge Party — Potentate's Ball and Ladies' Night. Crystal Ballroom, Copley Plaza Hotel. Bridge 2:00 p.m. Ball 8:30 p.m.

Friday, May 25 — Ceremonial. Mechanics Building, Boston. The time and place of the March and May Luncheons will be announced at a later date.

# SON OF ALEPPO OFFICER SETS ENVIABLE MARK

A RECORD for anti-aircraft action was made by the unit under the Command of Lt. Col. Charles H. Sargent, Jr., son of Assistant Steward, Charles H. Sargent, according to word received from Europe.

Lieutenant Colonel Sargent, who before entering the war was Director of the Service Bureau of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, is battalion commander of the 455th Anti-aircraft Unit serving with General Patton's Third Army. His unit was recently credited with knocking down ten out of twenty-five attacking Nazi planes, thus preventing enemy flyers from blasting important artillery positions on the southeastern part of the U.S. Third Army front. The thrilling ground and air encounter lasted over twenty minutes. A checkup showed that the Germans had not been able to damage American Artillery. During the encounter a number of German prisoners were taken.

Colonel Sargent, who is a Past Master of General Henry Knox Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Boston, is a veteran of World War I and served in the 241st Coast Artillery of the National Guard for eighteen years prior to the present conflict.

In a recent letter received from Colonel Sargent at Shrine Headquarters, which he wrote at midnight on New Year's Eve, he said that following a hard day's fighting he was enjoying reading a recent copy of the ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS by the light of a muzzled flashlight.

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# ALEPPO NOBLE RECEIVES CITATION

FOR distinguishing himself by meritorious service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States last summer, Major Henry L. F. Buswell, a Noble of Aleppo Temple recently was awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

The citation relates that Major Buswell, who was "Charged with the responsibility of indoctrinating personnel at the marshalling area,—organized and instructed briefing units which capably performed this duty." The citation further states, "Major Buswell correctly foresaw that many units would arrive at the marshalling area incompletely equipped, a handicap which he offset by organizing and staffing a supply unit operating within the marshalling area to take care of last minute shortages."

The citation also states that, "the superior manner in which Major Buswell provided for the necessary pre-embarkation briefing of Ninth Air Force personnel, his foresight and ability in solving supply problems in spite of difficulties incident to last minute preparations contributed greatly to the smooth movement of troops and the success of the invasion of Europe.'

Since his citation, Major Buswell has been raised to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He is a resident of Gloucester, Massachusetts

### WHY A KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OR A SCOTTISH RITE MASON SHOULD JOIN ALEPPO TEMPLE

WHY should a Knights Templar or Scottish Rite Mason join the Shrine? Because it is in the Shrine that one meets the outstanding members of our Fraternity - both York and Scottish Rite Masons - in a happy and lighter vein, with business cares forgotten and the seriousness of our Craft laid aside while folks meet in a friendly and most intimate mood. It is in the Shrine that we are truly called from labor to refreshment. Happy good fellowship, congeniality, friendliness and laughter — that's a real refreshment.

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### SHRINE CLUB OF NEW BEDFORD

THE annual meeting, supper, and election of officers of the Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts was held at New Bedford on January 17th.

The President, Noble William Stitt, reviewed the activities of the Club for the past year, calling attention to the donations at Christmas. Due to the fact that the Christmas Tree Party was cancelled again this year on account of conditions it was voted to expend the appropriation to

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local institutions, and \$50.00 each was sent to Sassaguin Sanatorium, Sol-E-Mar Hospital, St. Mary's Home, Standard-Times Neediest Family Fund, and the Springfield Unit of the Shriners Hospitals. In all cases it was requested that the money be used for the benefit of the children at Christmas. Fifty dollars each was also sent to the Salvation Army and the Volunteers of America.

The President reported that the \$1,000 Bond which was voted at a previous meeting had been secured and turned over to the Springfield Unit of the Shriners Hospitals.

The Treasurer's report showed the club to be in very good financial condition, and it was voted to purchase another \$1,000 Bond to be applied to the Crippled Children's Fund of the club. It was also voted to send \$10 to the March of Dimes Fund.

On report and recommendation of the Nominating Committee the following officers were elected for the year:.

President, William Stitt.

Vice-Presidents, Andrew J. Lonergan Norman Renne.

Secretary, Charles E. Davis, Jr.

Treasurer, William Kenworthy.

Board of Governors: The officers and James Lees, William Beserosky, J. J. Greenburg, Max Margolis, Dr. Birtwistle.

Trustees Crippled Children's Permanent Fund: 3 years, Walter Mitchell: 2 years, Walter W. Johnson; 1 year, Ted Foster.

After the meeting which was very well attended, an excellent chicken dinner, with all the fixings and refreshments was served to the Nobles.

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by J. Arthur McCoy Associate Editor

HAIL to our new Illustrious Potentate, Arthur A. Sondheim!

Major Vaughan has made arrangements with Colonel Kelly so that we can use the Cambridge Armory again this year. Drills start February 23d, and continue through May 18, a longer schedule than last year.

It will be hard to beat the attendance record for the past year, an incredible total average of 96.62 per cent. Bill Odell's fourth platoon led with an average attendance of 97.32 per cent; Leslie Dixon's third platoon was next with an attendance of 96.91 per cent; Ben James' first platoon had an average attendance of 96.44 per cent and Dr. Beckman's second platoon had an attendance of 95.81 per cent.

Lieutenant Dixon personally secured thirteen applications for Aleppo last year, a lucky number for anybody to bring in and of course, he received the special commendation of Potentate Lombard.

We are sorry to learn of the serious illness of Lieutenant Boehner of the second platoon. Bob has been one of our most active and conscientious members for years. We are hoping for a speedy recovery.

Orrin Andrews, also of the second platoon, is on the sick list and confined at his home. Our best wishes go to him.

Bill Heiligmann, of the color guard, has been appointed into the line of Boston Commandery, as Warder, with such notables as Em. Frank Ells, Herman McStay, Bill Odell, and Harold Budreau.

Major Harold J. Arnold, member of the second platoon, recently visited the Shrine Office. He has been in the Pacific Area and was home on a 30-day leave, looking marvellous and apparently feeling tops. He has now returned to duty.

Colonel Cormerais is visiting relatives in Montreal and Louis Buchsbaum is visit-

ing New York. - When last seen, he was gazing at the Empire State Building and counting the windows.

Ed Harvey used to be a frequent visitor at the office, but now with the shortage of help, he hardly gets time to leave the store long enough for lunch.

Russ Lynn's son, Capt. Melvin Lynn, is now taking the Air Staff Course. Based at Washington, he goes for instruction to Dayton, Norfolk, Hoffman Field, N. C., and to two stations in Florida.

In the next issue I will try to give the addresses of all our men in the service, in the hope of inducing some of the fellows to send letters — we don't want to forget them.

### THE SHRINE PATROL

Quite often friends of mine will ask The little wife and me, To set aside a night or two For sociability. And I quite often concur To call, or ride, or stroll, At any time but Friday eve', 'Cause that's the Shrine Patrol

On Sundays there's my radio But that I'll gladly change. To miss my Monday poker game I might choose to arrange. When Tuesdays come - and Thursdays,

My dates I can control. But, don't ask me on Fridays - please, 'Cause that's the Shrine Patrol.

I dote on bridge — I love to play — Or at your home I'll sup. I'll sit up all night long with you And quaff the potent cup. Your ping pong ball I'll knock around — Your dice I'll toss and roll, Yes, on every eve' but Fridays, friend -'Cause that's the Shrine Patrol.

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# NOBLE HOBART ELECTED CAPTAIN OF MOUNTED PATROL

By Captain Ireland

A<sup>T</sup> the Annual Business Meeting and dinner of the Aleppo Mounted Patrol held Friday, February 2, 1945, in the Hotel Touraine, Boston, Noble Aaron W. Hobart was elected Captain for the coming year. Noble Hobart succeeds Captain Irving W. Ireland, who has served in that capacity for the past three years.

In accepting the office, Noble Hobart thanked the Nobles of the Patrol for the honor they had bestowed upon him and promised some new and novel arrangements in connection with the weekly drills as well as the part the Mounted Patrol will play in the future Ceremonials of Aleppo.

At the conclusion of the dinner the retiring Captain introduced Potentate Arthur A. Sondheim and his guests, among whom were Past Potentate Willard P. Lombard, Recorder Harvey B. Leggee and First Ceremonial Master N. Russell Lynn.

Potentate Sondheim was called upon to address the Nobles of the Mounted Patrol and in his usual eloquent manner gave the Nobles present a resume of the many functions and innovations he intended to inaugurate during his term of office.

First Ceremonial Master Lvnn responded to his introduction with timely and well worded thoughts as well as a good story.

Harvey B. Leggee, the genial Recorder, was asked to say a few words. It goes without saying that when Harvey arises before any audience his flow of language and his pocket full of well-selected stories holds the attention of all present.

Last but not least, our Junior Past Potentate, and the greatest Roman of them all, Willard P. Lombard, with his graciousness and flowing oratory held the attention of all Nobles present.

The Mounted Patrol at this time wishes to extend their best wishes to Potentate Sondheim and his Divan Officers for a most successful year.

It was the opinion of the troopers present that this was one of the most successful meetings the Mounted Patrol has held for a long time.

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by Noble J. Howard Macaulay Associate Editor

WE of the Degree Staff are glad and sad; glad to welcome Arthur A. Sondheim as our Illustrious Potentate; sad to have Willard Lombard's term come to an end. All this happened at our Annual Meeting on Friday, January 26, 1945. Arthur has been a friend of the Degree Staff for many years and we are happy to have him as our Potentate. We greet him cordially and in true fraternal spirit offer him our sincerest wish for a successful administration and promise him our wholehearted support.

We have been extremely fortunate in the caliber of men who have headed Aleppo Temple as Potentate. Arthur follows the best, our own Willard Lombard. Willard has been a great Potentate and is a great guy and able to express himself in such a way that even we of the Degree Staff understand him and to radiate a friendly spirit that made all the units of the Aleppo Temple operate successfully and efficiently. A good indication of Willard's qualities is reflected by the esteem in which he is held by our Recorder, Harvey B. Leggee, who, through his close association with the Nobles of Aleppo Temple, has become a great judge of men. We are grateful that Willard, though no longer acting as Potentate, is with us still as a Past Potentate and hope that he will be one of the boys of the Degree Staff in the future, as he has in the past

The Degree Staff were invited and attended in a body the thirty-fifth wedding anniversary of Carl and May Priest. Carl hired a hall for the occasion and proceeded to entertain his friends as only the Priest's can entertain. For Carl and May, we wish them well and repeat the words of our Past Potentate, Willard Lombard, "May you live as long as you want and never want as long as you live".

Director Watson received from Ralph Norcom a letter expressing the thanks of the Nobility of Oasis Temple for his help in making their Golden Anniversary Ceremonial a success. Director Watson provided them with the Camera Stunt which they say went over in a big way. Ralph returned the stunt to be used at our last Ceremonial, but time did not permit. For the protection of our valuable equipment in transit and as a builder-upper for our Director, it has been suggested that Frank attend some of these Ceremonials, particularly in the vicinity of Florida during the winter months.

You guys think that those little herrings are easy to get. Well, listen brother, our Sam Cohen had to go down to Newfoundland to get those little babies; they must be just the right size and shape. Sam got the tip-off that the school was in and those little fish were ready to graduate to Sam's pickling plant. To be home in time for the Ceremonial, Sam met plenty of difficulty due to washouts, adverse flying conditions and lack of transportation, but our "never say die," Sam, by plane, by day coaches, automobiles, snow plows and Johnson and Murphy's got to Mechanics Building before the curtain went up for the Second Section. Sam held top honors in the Temple in 1944 for procuring candidates. His total was 23 applications for the year. Potentate Lombard has commended Sam for his achievement and we expect to see him wearing a big medal at our next



# NOBLE EDWARD E. REYNOLDS ENTERS UNSEEN TEMPLE

NOBLE EDWARD E. REYNOLDS, an assistant Steward of Aleppo Temple for the past twenty-five years passed away at his home in Somerville, January 10th. Noble Reynolds was approaching his ninetieth year having been born August

He was one of the most widely known Scottish Rite masons in Massachusetts, having served as Commissary of Massachusetts Consistory for the past thirty-five years, a position which brought him in contact with nearly every one of the ten thousand members of the organization. He was one of the original members of the "Henry B. Perkins Club," organized in 1928 in honor of the late Noble Perkins who for many years previous to his death was Chief Steward of Aleppo Temple.

The Masonic services were conducted by the officers of The Massachusetts Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of which Brother Reynolds was Master in 1905-1906.

Noble Reynolds was presented with a fifty-year Veterans Medal in 1944, having been raised in Massachusetts Lodge May 21, 1894. He was a member of St. Paul's Chapter, Boston Council, of which he was Thrice Illustrious Master in 1913, De-Molay Commandery, Scottish Rite Bodies in Boston, Massachusetts Consistory and the First Worshipful Masters Association.

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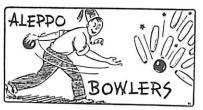
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by VAIL K. HAAK Associate Editor

WITH just about one quarter of the season to go, The High Priest Team has a slight margin lead over the Ceremonial Masters. Three points to be exact. The High Priests are captained by Bob Hancock, ably supported by Hill, Gil Harvey, Kittredge and your correspondent. The Ceremonial Masters in second place captained by Doc Howland and backed up by Gordon, Bob Howland, Bearse and Halliday.

Harry Gordon seems to appear as the star of the league this year, as he leads the averages with 105, a very sizeable lead over Harold Chase who has 101. Harry also has high 3 string of 360 with Bob Howland in the second slot with 358. Gordon's high single of 136 still holds, although Frank Kittredge almost upset the applecart with a 135 string. Hope this mention of Frank's prowess pleases his friends of Boston Commandery.

Ceremonial Masters hold team three string of 1,480 while the Oriental Guides succeeded in annexing a team single of 524. There will be team prizes in these departments this year, but only one team prize to a customer.

Our President, K. A. Juthe, has left on an extended business trip to the West Coast but expects to be back for the banquet. It will be an additional pleasure for him this year to present the handsome trophy that he has donated. This trophy goes to the winner of the 15 string roll-off in league competition starting Thursday, February 8th, handicaps to prevail, so that everybody has a chance that was bowling with us on January 1st of this

Jim Greig has improved enough to take K. A. Juthe's place on The Potentate Team for the remainder of the season. Attendance has been very good this year, and all the bowlers seem real healthy, barring a few minor colds. John Eaton still prefers to keep score, while giving his sore back a needed vacation.

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By Noble Charles C. Fearing Associate Editor

### THANKS FOR A BEAUTIFUL EVENING"

WE received an invitation recently for a dinner party at the Hotel Touraine as a guest of Noble "Cy" Hyde, its Treasurer, who only traveled over the Hot Sands at the December ceremonial. Being imbued with that true spirit of good-fellowship which the Shrine engenders, he certainly gave the boys a beautiful evening. Noble "Cv" acted as host, and to perpetrate a feeble pun — He was a host in himself. Judging by the floor show that followed the dinner, if Cy ever gets tired of the hotel business he could make good on the Vaudeville circuit. This was one of the warm spots in an otherwise cold and dreary

Noble Milo Burnell, of the cornet section, informed us recently that he had an attack of Poetitis, or in other words, like Silas Wegg in Dickens Mutual Friend, he dropped into poetry. He wrote some verses which he was going to send in to us for insertion in the January issue but at the last minute he got cold feet and destroyed his brain child. 'Stew bad, because who knows it might have become a classic.

At the annual meeting we all shivered while on the stage. We sure needed a fur coat on that occasion as our uniforms were not designed for sub-arctic temperatures, and the wind swept across that stage every time a door opened. Personally we will welcome the "Good Old Summer Time" with open arms.

John Straley, in the Investment Dealers Digest, tells the following story:

"A colored soldier was busy around the wrong end of an Army mule when it suddenly lashed out with both feet and sent him sailing. As he hit the ground his comrades called stretcher bearers, who put the unlucky fellow on a stretcher and started to carry him off.

"The colored boy opened his eyes and gazed at the reeling sky overhead. Feeling around below the stretcher with his hands he encountered nothing but empty space. "' 'Lawdy, Lawdy,' he groaned, 'I ain't

hit the ground yet.' So with the dearth of band news this

month, we are "up in the air" trying to fill this column and we "Ain't hit the ground

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# NOBLE PERRY APPOINTED TO IMPORTANT POLICE POSITION

N January 19th, Police Commissioner Sullivan of the Boston Police Department, announced the appointment of Capt. Carleton B. Perry to the Command of the Bureau of Records at Police Headquarters. This position, which is usually assigned to a Deputy Superintendent, was Commanded for several years by Noble John M. Anderson, now a retired Deputy Superintendent.

Noble Perry, who has been Night Commander of the Boston Harbor Police for several years, joined the Police Department in 1919, following his return from overseas duty with the United States

His first assignment was night patrol duty on the Atlantic Avenue-Commercial Street Waterfront, later going to the Harbor Police, where for several years he was Quartermaster on the Police Tug, Guardian, which patrolled the outer harbor. Becoming one of the Department's youngest Sergeants he was assigned for several years at the Milk Street Station. Returning to the Harbor Police he was promoted to Lieutenant in 1933, and was for several years at the Hyde Park Station, before returning to the Harbor Police for a third time. His promotion to Captain came in 1943.

During his over 25 years' service Noble Perry has been commended several times, and has taken part in numerous rescues and important police work. During the 1938 Hurricane, Captain Perry, with two volunteers, made numerous forays through the high seas with the smallest of the patrol boats, going into parts of the harbor the larger boats could not enter. Chilled and drenched as well as bruised, when daylight arrived, Captain Perry spent two days in bed before returning to duty. Of his two companions, one has since died and the other has been retired for injuries received.

The Bureau of Records, which Captain Perry now commands, occupies the entire third floor at Police Headquarters. In addition to the Fingerprint and Photograph Files of the Rogues Gallery, it includes the Photograph and Research Laboratories, Missing Persons Bureau, Warrant Division, Record Section Printing and Mimeograph shop and several other branches relating to the records and correspondence of the department.

Aleppo wishes Noble Perry a happy and successful term of office in his new com-

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The following is a list of Masonic meetings held regularly at the Masonic Temple,

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